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IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **AS-0**
74132
Amendment 1

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**EAST COUNTY MEDIANS - LANDSCAPE
AND MEDIAN MAINTENANCE
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 4 AND 5
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that the additional contract work is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works to execute the enclosed amendment to Contract No. 74132 with Azteca Landscape, located in Ontario, California, for maintenance of various medians in the unincorporated East County area to add landscaping services for a newly constructed median along Nogales Street (between Colima Road and Pathfinder Road).
3. Authorize Public Works to encumber an additional annual amount of \$9,439, increasing the annual not-to-exceed amount from \$19,797 to \$29,236, plus 15 percent for additional landscaping maintenance services within the scope of this contract that may arise during the contract term. Funds are available in Public Works' 2002-03 budget.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On August 20, 2002, Synopsis 43, your Board awarded Contract No. 74132 to Azteca Landscape to provide landscape maintenance services at various medians located in the

unincorporated East County area. The purpose of this requested action is to amend this contract to include landscape and median maintenance services for the newly constructed median on Nogales Street (between Colima Road and Pathfinder Road) in the unincorporated East County area. At the County's discretion, this contract allows new medians located within a five-mile radius of the contracted facilities to be added to the medians maintained by the contractor, provided that the cost estimate does not exceed the cost to provide the service for similar facilities that are subject to the contract. The contractor's price for providing this proposed additional service is consistent with its rate for the facilities currently maintained, and the Nogales Street median is located within five miles of the currently maintained area.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goals of Organizational Effectiveness and Children's and Families' Well Being. This amendment will improve internal operations through the utilization of this contractor's expertise to effectively provide median landscaping services in a timely, responsive, and cost-effective manner, as well as improve the quality of life in the County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The recommended amendment will increase this contract's annual not-to-exceed amount by \$9,439, from \$19,797 to \$29,236, plus 15 percent for additional landscaping maintenance services within the scope of this contract that may arise during the contract term. The amount of the increase is within the cost savings previously identified in this contract. Funds to cover this amendment are available in Public Works' 2002-03 budget. There will be no impact on net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Prior to the execution by the Director of Public Works, the amendment (Enclosure A), which describes the expanded service area and modifies the contractor's compensation, will be properly signed by the contractor and approved as to form by County Counsel.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The additional work is categorically exempt from the CEQA as specified in Class 1(j) and (s) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, Synopsis 57.

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CONTRACTING PROCESS

Not applicable.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The approval of this amendment will not result in any impact on other current services or projects.

CONCLUSION

One approved copy of this letter is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Auditor Controller (Dewitt Roberts)(w/o enc.)
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance (Robert Valdez)

ENCLOSURE A

PROPOSED AMENDMENT 1 TO CONTRACT NO. 74132

EAST COUNTY MEDIANS

LANDSCAPE AND MEDIAN MAINTENANCE

THIS AMENDMENT, made and entered into as of this _____ day of _____, 2003, by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a subdivision of the State of California, a body corporate and politic, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY," and AZTECA LANDSCAPE, hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR."

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS: Contract No. 74132 was entered between the County and the Contractor on August 20, 2002, for East County Medians - Landscape and Median Maintenance; and

WHEREAS: Construction of a median has recently been completed on Nogales Street (between Colima Road and Pathfinder Road) which requires landscape maintenance services; and

WHEREAS: The County, in accordance with Part I, Section 2.C, Facilities to be Maintained and Part II, Section 3.G, Changes and Amendments of Terms desires to add this median to the scope of work covered under this Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these facts and payment to be made by the County, the County and the Contractor agree that Contract No. 74132 between them shall be amended as follows:

FIRST: The Nogales Street median shall be added to the facilities to be maintained by the Contractor under the scope of work of this Contract. The addition of this median to this Contract will become effective upon approval of this amendment by the Director of Public Works.

SECOND: The Contractor shall provide these additional services in accordance with the frequencies reflected in Exhibit A at an additional annual cost of \$9,439.

THIRD: All other terms, requirements, specifications, conditions and prices of the original Contract shall remain in effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County and the Contractor have hereunto subscribed their names by and through their officers thereunto duly authorized, as of the day, month, and year hereinabove first written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
Director of Public Works

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

LLOYD W. PELLMAN
County Counsel

By _____
Deputy

AZTECA LANDSCAPE

By _____
Its President

By _____
Its Secretary